

STATE OF MAINE
COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS
AND ELECTION PRACTICES
135 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE
04333-0135

#### **AGENDA**

# Meeting of February 13, 2002

10:00 a.m., First Floor Hearing Room 242 State Street, Augusta, Maine

### ROUTINE BUSINESS

1. Ratification of Minutes of the December 12, 2001 meeting.

#### OLD BUSINESS

- David C. Ireland; Status of extended reimbursement and penalty payment arrangement.
   Recommendation: Refer to Attorney General for appropriate collection action unless
   Mr. Ireland signs a formal extended payment agreement by a date set by the Commission.
- 3. <u>Maine Clean Election Act Rules Amendment</u>: Consideration of public comments on proposed amendments to Maine Clean Election Act rules and adoption of rule changes for submission to the Joint Standing Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs as a major, substantive rule in accordance with 21A M.R.S.A. §1126.

Recommendation: Adopt rule amendment and continue APA rulemaking procedures.

## NEW BUSINESS

- 4. Late Joint Lobbyist/Employer Annual Reports:
  - A. David Siegel, Executive Director, Lobbyist for Maine Innkeepers Association:

Due 12/30/01; Filed 1/2/02 – 3 days late No previous late filings this biennium

Penalty: \$200.00

Recommendation: \$100.00 (see letter dated January 2, 2002)

B. Lori K. Gramlich, MSW, Public Affairs Director, Lobbyist for Dirigo Alliance:

Due 12/30/01; Filed 1/3/02 – 4 days late No previous late filings this biennium

Penalty: \$200.00

Recommendation: \$100.00 (see letter dated January 2, 2002)

C. Martha F. H. Mayo, Lobbyist for Workers' Compensation Coordinating Council:

Due 12/30/01; Filed 1/7/02 - 8 days late No previous late filings this biennium

Penalty: \$200.00

Recommendation: \$100.00 (see letter dated January 4, 2002)

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D. Brenda Gallant, Lobbyist for Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

Due 12/30/01; Filed 1/2/02 - 3 days late No previous late filings this biennium

Penalty: \$200.00

Recommendation: \$100.00

E. Public Affairs Group, Lobbyist for Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers, Inc.

Due 12/30/01; Filed 1/4/02 - 5 days late No previous late filings this biennium

Penalty: \$200.00

Recommendation: \$100.00

F. Public Affairs Group, Lobbyist for Telephone Association of Maine

Due 12/30/01; Filed 1/4/02 - 5 days late No previous late filings this biennium

Penalty: \$200.00

Recommendation: \$100.00

5. Late Lobbyist Monthly Disclosure Reports:

A. Kim Crichton, Public Affairs Director, ME, Lobbyist for Planned Parenthood of Northern

New England:

1. September 2001 Report:

Duc 10/15/01; Filed 12/12/01 - 2 mos. late

No previous late filings this biennium

Penalty: \$200.00

Recommendation: \$100 penalty (see letter dated January 15, 2002)

2. October 2001 Report:

Due 11/15/01; Filed 12/12/01 - 1 mo. late

One previous late filing this biennium (Sept. 2001 Report)

Penalty: \$100.00

Recommendation: \$100 penalty (see letter dated January 15, 2002)

6. <u>Hon. David L. Tobin</u>; Request for MCEA waiver for qualifying contributions accepted before filing Declaration of Intent (first time MCEA candidate).

Recommendation: Grant waiver based upon bona fide effort to comply.

7. Form approval; "Identification of Designated Push Polling Agent."

Recommendation: Approve form for use in 2002 elections.

8. <u>Internet Use Policy Statement</u>: Consideration of proposed policy statement regarding Internet use under Maine's campaign finance and reporting laws.

Recommendation: Approve statement as informal position pending final adoption by the

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FEC, then either incorporate in future Commission rulemaking or adopt as formal Commission policy statement.

- 9. <u>Maine Green Independent Party Grievance Letter</u> of January 12, 2002, to Attorney General. **Recommendation:** Information only; no action required pending Attorney General's response.
- 10. Commission Staff Personnel Status Report; Information only.
- 11. Other Miscellaneous as needed.
- 12. Executive Session: If necessary.

ADJOURNMENT